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COMMUNICATION TERMINAL APPARATUS, AND COMMUNICATION
CONTROL METHOD

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 12, 2000, Applicant hereby calls the following documents, which were cited in a Japanese Notice of Reason for Rejection dated March 25, 2003 for corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 11-257399, to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Laid Open Publication No. SHO 61-186070, which was published on August 19, 1986, along with an English language translation of page 3, line 14 of the lower right column - page 4, line 8 of the upper left column; and an English language Abstract;

Japanese Laid Open Publication No. HEI 8-79483, which was published on March 22, 1996, along with an English language translation of paragraphs [0048]-[0053]; and an English language Abstract; and

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Japanese Laid Open Publication No. HEI 8-56241, which was published on February 27, 1996, along with an English language translation of paragraphs [0018]-[0019]; and an English language Abstract.

The relevance and pertinent portions of these documents are as noted on the attached copy of the Japanese Notice of Reason for Rejection, together with an English language translation of the same.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite these documents and the enclosed Abstracts/translations. Copies of the above-noted patents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the same to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

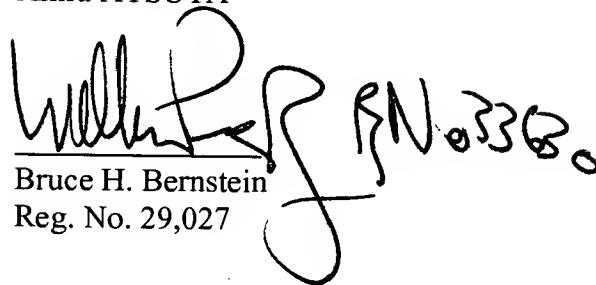
Since this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to issuance of an Office Action on the merits, Applicant has provided below a Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), and thus, believe that no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), the undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. Of course, this statement does not apply to information that has previously been cited by Applicant or the Examiner in the present application as that information is already of record and no certification is necessary.

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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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